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"Let us salute, foster and develop the deep-rooted friendship between China and Canada."

Madame Soong Ching Ling
(1890-1981)

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Chinese Premier to visit UVic



Zhao is shown above during historic address this week to joint session of Parliament

Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang, the second-ranking political leader of the world's most populous country, at his own request is making UVic one of his last stops on his two-week tour of North America, which has included trips to Ottawa and Washington, D.C. and talks with Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and American President Ronald Reagan.

Zhao is the highest-ranking leader from the People's Republic of China ever to visit Canada. He has been receiving warm diplomatic welcomes during his meetings with high-level officials in Canada and the United States, and this week in a precedent-setting gesture was the first Communist-nation leader to address a joint session of the Canadian Parliament.

Co-ordinating the diverse details of Zhao's two-hour visit to UVic is Dr. Jan Walls, Director of Pacific and Oriental Studies, who returned to UVic last summer from a two-year tour of duty at the Canadian Embassy in Peking where he was First Secretary for Cultural and Scientific Affairs.

Walls has not met Zhao, and confirms that very few people in China do get a chance to meet him. He speculates there are three basic reasons why the Premier has personally made a point of including a visit to UVic on his North Ameri-

can itinerary.

The first reason would be the UVic Convocation held in China in May of 1981, when the university awarded an honorary degree to the late Soong Ching Ling, one of the women most revered in modern China, for her work to improve women's rights and children's welfare. The special UVic Convocation in Peking became front-page news across China and was regarded by many as a significant act of international friendship. The official UVic delegation at the Convocation included President Dr. Howard Petch, Walls, chairman of ceremonies Professor Betty Kennedy, and Registrar Ron Ferry.

Another reason for Zhao's visit, suggests Walls, would be the exchange program taking place between UVic and East China Normal University (ECNU), sponsored by the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) in Ottawa. UVic and ECNU have been building a 'sister' relationship and a strong program of academic exchanges since the 1981 visit by UVic officials to China, during which President Petch headed a delegation to ECNU, one of two Chinese universities initiating new education programs and research projects as part of the development of science and technology in China's modernization program.

Discussions to initiate co-operative research took place in Shanghai the following year between Dr. Ted Owen, chairman of the UVic Social and Natural Sciences Department, Xiao Ting, Vice-President of ECNU, and Dr. Sheldon Shaeffer of IDRC, which has committed a grant of \$150,000 to the project.

The UVic-ECNU connection was strengthened during the winter of 1983 with the month-long visit to this campus of 13 ECNU professors for seminars, lectures and visits to other institutions, followed by a three-week spring visit by five UVic faculty members to ECNU. More faculty exchanges are planned for this spring to carry on joint research projects which will take two to three years to complete.

Another reason why Zhao may have requested his special side trip to UVic is the university's location in Canada's 'Garden City' which has a twin city relationship with the Chinese city of Suzhou.

As is the case with all visits at this level, virtually every step is planned in advance, says Walls. "We have every step planned and I am quite confident. We are working with very competent people on campus."

The visit will open with the Premier's arrival at University Centre, where he will be greeted by President Petch, Chancellor Dr. Ian McTaggart Cowan, and Board of Governors chairman Ian Stewart. The itinerary includes viewing a photographic exhibit of the UVic honorary degree delegation in Peking in 1981, viewing the UVic Orchestra in rehearsal in the Centre Auditorium, viewing a visual exhibition by the Horticultural Centre of the Pacific, and viewing a display in the MacLaurin Building depicting the UVic-ECNU research collaboration projects in educational development.

During a lunch for more than 100, which will be served at the Faculty Club, Zhao will be presented with a scroll written in Chinese outlining briefly the scholarships and bursaries which UVic offers students from the People's Republic of China.

Zhou brings with him one of the top interpreters in China, says Walls, who is fluent in Mandarin and will be ready to act as interpreter for Dr. Petch whenever the occasion requires.

The RCMP has requested that specific details of the times for Zhao's visit not be released beforehand, for security reasons. But they are aware it is generally known that the Premier will be arriving at the University Centre around 11 a.m. and many people may be on hand to witness the occasion, says Walls.

UVic and ECNU share expertise

There is a significant potential for cooperation with East China Normal University (ECNU) on developing and delivering extension programs says Dr. Larry Devlin, Coordinator for Program Development at UVic Extension.

Devlin visited the ECNU campus in Shanghai, China in October, 1983 for three weeks to begin the planning for a joint research project between UVic Extension and ECNU's Continuing Education division.

"We share similar problems in trying to serve students living a considerable distance from our campuses. ECNU is trying to provide off-campus degree completion programs in arts and sciences, especially for secondary school teachers, and they are interested in utilizing electronic delivery methods as well as the more traditional print-based approach," Devlin says.

Devlin gave three lectures on adult education research at ECNU and found Chinese officials eager to discuss the work UVic is doing in using satellite and teleconferencing teaching methods.

ECNU has an enrolment of 7,000 full-time students and 2,000 part-time students on its main campus in Shanghai. In addition, ECNU serves 1,500 off-campus students in Shandong province about 1,000 km north of Shanghai.

Devlin also spent a week in Shandong province, observing ECNU off-campus activities, and says he is impressed with the thoroughness of the administrative arrangements for providing extension programs.

"Nothing is left to chance, and students are given excellent support by employers, local administrators, tutors, and visiting faculty members who give two weeks of face-to-face instruction at various times in the academic year."

He also visited a part-time university for industrial workers and a series of community colleges designed specifically for adult education.

"The Chinese I spoke to value their relationship with UVic as something very special," says Devlin. "East China has been designated a model university for all of China, and joint research done on the university extension process will help guide Chinese educational practises in adult education at other institutions in that country. I think the relationship is very much a two-way street with potential benefits for each party."

Devlin's visit to ECNU will be returned by ECNU faculty members in March this year. In May, Dr. Glen Farrell, UVic Extension Director, will continue development of the project with a trip to ECNU. He will also attend an international conference on university adult education to be held in Peking.

"The conference may mark the formal joining of China in the International Council of Adult Education and, if this occurs, China will be offered the Vice-Presidency of the Council", Devlin notes.

"The entry of China into the world community of adult education is an important step for those concerned with education at all levels world-wide."

Slavonics expands lecture series

The Department of Slavonic Studies is expanding its Colloquia Slavica free lecture series to include speakers from other departments on campus.

Prof. Zelimir B. Juricic (Slavonics) opens the series Jan. 24, speaking on "The Relation between Poetic and Prose Structural Elements in Andric's Early Poetry: The Case of 'Tama'".

This lecture will be given in Room B145 of the Clearihue Building, beginning at 3:30 p.m.

Juricic explains that Slavonics decided to bring in speakers involved in Russian and Slavonics studies in other departments on campus.

"It is a unique series and we have had a good response both from the university community and the community at large," he said.

Included in the seven-lecture series this year are Dr. Howard Biddulph (Political Science) and Dr. Richard Williams (Social and Natural Sciences).

Biddulph will speak on "The Soviet Political Leadership Since Brezhnev" on Feb. 17 while Williams will discuss "Russian Immersion—A Fragile Beginning" on March 13.

Other speakers include Slavonics professors Isabel Heamon (Jan. 31) on "Images of Childhood in L.N. Tolstoy's Works"; Nicholas Galichenko (Feb. 7) on "A Rogue in Soviet Russia: The Confidence Man Theme in Ilf and Petrov's Novels"; Zbigniew Folejewski (Feb. 21) on "L.N. Tolstoy's *Chto takoe iskusstvo* and E. Abramovski's *Co to jest sztuka*" and Nicholas Tyrras (March 6) on "A Diplomatic Note on Dostoevsky's Funeral".



Grossman and Germanic students present puppet performance

Iris keeps tradition alive

When Iris Grossman joined the Department of Germanic Studies this year as a teaching assistant under an exchange program between Canada and West Germany, the department got more than it bargained for.

Grossman, 29, is a qualified high school teacher specializing in art, English, puppeteering and a vibrant approach to life.

"Canada has always been the dream for my husband and I so when I was offered a student grant to come here, we didn't hesitate," she recalls.

At UVic she sees students on a regular basis to assist them with their conversational German. She has also produced a newspaper, in German, and is carrying on

in the tradition of Dr. Nora Haimberger, who retired in 1983.

Haimberger used puppets in a teaching role and organized a puppet theatre troupe among students in the department.

The Puppet Theatre Troupe of the West Coast, made up of Grossman and UVic students, is presenting a public performance of "Die Nachilleuchting", Jan. 24, in Room A207 of the Clearihue Building at 4 p.m.

Everything from posters to puppets to stage has been produced by Grossman and her students, who will also perform three comedy sketches without puppets.

Grossman is a firm believer in the value of puppets in learning a second language.

"People can hide behind the puppets and don't have to be afraid about speaking a foreign language in public," she says. "With puppets, the inhibitions drop away."

She says a puppet theatre also offers students a social occasion and high motivation. "They also must read and re-read the text of the play to ensure that they understand what the author is trying to say."

Grossman says teachers should "try different things and be creative with their students. There has to be something more than just textbooks and dry grammar lessons."

Since September, she has been available in the department to help students with their conversational German during their free time. She is getting an excellent response from students, with some participating two or three times a week in addition to regular classes.

"I felt a little isolated when I first arrived, but the students have responded and I have made friends in Victoria. It's been an enjoyable experience and I like the students very much."

BOG studies budget cuts

For several weeks, senior administrators at UVic have been studying ways of coping with a six per cent decrease in provincial funding for 1984-85.

On Jan. 23, the Board of Governors (BOG) has scheduled a full day of meetings to deal with the same issue.

President Dr. Howard Petch has told the Senate a six per cent chop in the provincial operating grant means \$3.2 to \$3.3 million less than is available to UVic for this fiscal year which ends March 31.

He said he would recommend to the BOG that a 25 per cent increase in tuition fees be implemented for 1984-85, pushing fees for most full-time undergraduates to \$1,150.

Petch also plans to recommend an increase in the budget for financial aid for students, with the fee increase translating into a net increase in operating funds estimated at about \$1.6 million.

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Adjustments in operations will have to be made to make up the other \$1.6 million lost with the decreased provincial grant.

Alma Mater Society President Brian Stevenson understands the difficult position the university is in, but he finds a 25 per cent fee increase "unacceptable".

"We are most definitely opposed to the fee increase and I will be letting the Board of Governors know that when I speak to them at the Jan. 23 meeting," said Stevenson this week.

"I realize the fee increase is not really the Board's fault," adds Stevenson. "They are carrying out the sentence, but the judgement against students was passed by the provincial government."

The BOG meeting, for the most part, will be a private one, with the public session scheduled for 1 p.m.

Engineering curriculum approved

The new Faculty of Engineering, scheduled to admit 70 first-year and 40 second-year students in September of 1984, will offer programs leading to Bachelor of Engineering degrees in Electrical Engineering and Computer Engineering.

The Senate approved the establishment of a program in computer engineering at the Jan. 11 meeting after Dr. Murray Fraser, Vice-President, Academic, said the new program would involve no additional funding for engineering.

The new Faculty will consist of one department, Electrical Engineering, offering two degree programs.

After a lengthy debate, Senate also approved the first Calendar submission for the new faculty. Dean of Engineering Dr. Len Bruton, in presenting the Calendar submission for 1984-85, said he was also sending a message to the provincial government.

"We were delighted with the commitment by the premier of this province to release funds for the establishment of a Faculty of Engineering at this university," said Bruton.

"It was on the basis of that commitment that I accepted the deanship. We now send the province a message. We are ready to proceed if you are."

Bruton was referring to the delay in final approval for construction of a \$15 million Science and Engineering complex to house the new faculty. The project has been ready to go to tender since mid-October and final approval of the new facility is vital to senior-level laboratory work.

Bruton explained that timing of the completion of the new building is vital because

engineering is unlike any other department. "We have a beautiful 'incubator' space in the huts but senior labs for the new facility have to be designed and the equipment brought in and made to work.

"I am not sure when exactly we would have to blow the whistle and tell some 200 students that the government did not deliver. What I am sure is that the time is soon if no approval is given."

Bruton added that the provincial government has met its commitment for operating funds for engineering at UVic and that he recognizes that a decision on such a large capital expenditure cannot be taken lightly.

"In my judgement, the opportunity now exists for this university to build a Faculty of Engineering of world-class capability, to deal with the engineering of the future."

He said 120 students now enrolled at UVic have applied for admission to the second year of the program and most of the applications are from exceptionally qualified students.

"We will have higher entrance requirements than the rest of the university and we hope to continue to maintain those higher standards."

Bruton said the new faculty has made a serious commitment to offering non-technical courses to engineering students through the co-operation of departments such as psychology, political science, sociology, economics, English and the environmental studies program.

"We have had tremendous co-operation from other departments and assistance from colleagues throughout the campus."

Decision postponed

At the request of Prof. Murray Fraser, Vice-President, Academic, Senate will wait until March to discuss a controversial motion to rescind a new entrance requirement calling for both a second language and a science in Grade 11 for admittance to UVic beginning in September of 1986.

UVic now requires a second language or science in Grade 11 among its entrance requirements.

"I recognize completely the right of Senate to re-examine its decision but I am asking you in the name of unity to table the motion to rescind until the March meeting," said Fraser at the Jan. 11 meeting of Senate.

At the March meeting, Senate would be asked to consider provisions for alternative admission requirements proposed by individual faculties and approved by Senate, said Fraser.

"I expect some faculties may wish to propose specific entrance requirements as exceptions to the general regulations at the March meeting."

Fraser said the postponement of discussion until the March meeting could prevent "a divisive, perhaps acrimonious, debate."

The second-language requirement for 1986 was approved at a Senate meeting in February of 1983 by a vote of 21-19 after a long and at times, emotional debate.

In September of 1983, student senator Dominique Roelants van Baronaigien served notice of a motion to rescind the decision on the grounds that new information and numerous off-campus objections had surfaced since the decision.

At the Jan. 11 Senate meeting, Prof. Douglas Morton, Dean of Fine Arts, expressed the view of many senators opposed to the new regulation when he stated that "the elective system in high schools is our concern, not the question of a language or science. Students in high school should have the option of being able to study the arts."

Health services offers clinic

University Health Services is offering a film and talk on breast examination Jan. 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the Green Room of the Commons Block, for students and staff at UVic.

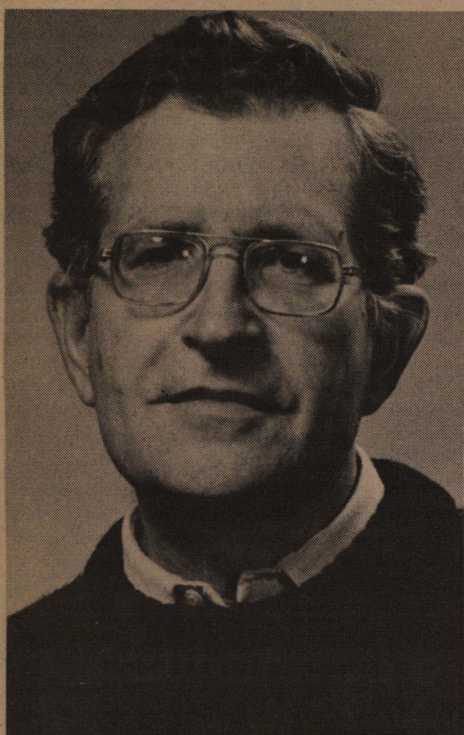
Female physicians will be available to answer questions following the presentation, and the film shown will be available for viewing the following week Jan. 23 to 27 at Health Services.

All women on campus who require knowledge of the topic are urged to attend.

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Lansdowne visitor tackles political issues in lectures



Chomsky: renowned linguist, philosopher and social critic

Worldwide social, political and military concerns will be the subjects of three public lectures to be given by Noam Chomsky, internationally-renowned philosopher, linguist, and social critic, when he visits the UVic Department of Philosophy as a distinguished Lansdowne visitor next week.

On Jan. 23 at 8 p.m. Chomsky will speak on "The Middle East and the Coming Nuclear War", on Jan. 24 at 12:30 p.m. he will speak on "The Manufacture of Consent" and on Jan. 25 at 8 p.m. he will speak on "The United States and Latin America." All three lectures will be held in the University Centre Auditorium.

Chomsky will also give seminars on campus to faculty, honours and graduate students in linguistics and philosophy.

A professor in the Department of Linguistics and Philosophy at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Chomsky in the 1950s developed a theory as to how human beings learn a language through a sort of "language organ" in our brains that changed the way linguists view the way we learn, and made him the leader of an intellectual revolution in the field of linguistics.

Widely read and respected as a political commentator in Western Europe and Latin America, since 1958 he has written 22 books and about 100 articles on linguistics, philosophy, and psychology. As well, he has authored or co-authored an additional

11 books and perhaps 1,000 articles on political and social concerns.

From 1958 to 1959 Chomsky was in residence at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, New Jersey. In 1962 he was appointed a Research Fellow in Cognitive Studies at the Center for Cognitive Studies of Harvard University. He has served as Linguistic Society of America Professor at the Linguistic Institute, University of California, Berkeley; delivered the John Locke Lectures at Oxford and the Shearman Lectures at University College, London; delivered the Bertrand Russell Memorial lectures at Cambridge University, London; the Nehru Memorial Lecture in New Delhi; and the Huizinga Lecture in Leiden.

Chomsky has received honorary degrees at the University of London, University of Chicago, Loyola University of Chicago, Swarthmore College, Delhi University, Bard College, and the University of Massachusetts. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, a member of the National Academy of Science, and a member of other professional and learned societies in the United States and abroad.

Among Chomsky's books on world affairs are *American Power and the New Mandarins*, a critique of American power about which Martin Duberman of the *New Republic* wrote: "Chomsky's formulation is quite special, and his tone—so free of

exaggeration or misrepresentation is all but unique... Along with the evenhandedness of his analysis, Chomsky seems to me remarkable among our radical critics for at least one other quality; whereas many of these critics (and especially the older ones) do not recognize the anarchist perspective that lies at the heart of the rebellion of the young, Chomsky not only recognizes it, but admires it."

Wrote Robert Akl of the *Nation*: "The importance of *American Power and the New Mandarins* lies in its power to free our minds from old perspective, to stimulate new efforts at historical, political and social thought."

Among other books about American power by Chomsky are *The Washington Connection and Third World Fascism*; *Peace in the Middle East*; *Towards a New Cold War*; *Radical Priorities*; *Fateful Triangle*; *the U.S., Israel and the Palestinians*; and *For Reasons of State*.

Because of Chomsky's tight schedule during his three-day visit, he may be unavailable for personal presentations or interviews. Inquiries regarding his program should be directed to Dr. Rodger Beehler, chairman of the Philosophy Department, telephone 721-7512.

Letters

To the Editor
The Ring
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Sir:

As a visiting academic temporarily on this campus I hesitate to raise an issue that concerns this particular academic community. But because it is also relevant to issues of academic integrity generally, I take the liberty to speak of it in the pages of your paper.

On my desk lies the copy of an advertisement from the Times-Colonist which reads:

Linguist to lecture

"Renowned linguistic theorist Prof. Noam Chomsky will be visiting professor for three days in January in the University of Victoria Lansdowne lecture series.

"He is a member of the philosophy and linguistics department at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. "At 8 p.m. Jan. 23, he will speak on The Middle East and the Coming Nuclear War.

"On Jan. 24 at 12:30 p.m., he will lecture on The Manufacture of Consent, and Jan. 25 at 8 p.m., on The United States and Latin America."

I have been looking at this advertisement off and on for two weeks with increasing misgivings. Can it have escaped the sponsors' notice that the way the announcement has been made lends itself to serious misunderstanding? It suggests that Professor Chomsky's acknowledged renown as linguistic theorist lends a similar professional credibility to his political ideology.

Surely it need not be said here that ideological convictions, however sincerely held or fervently proclaimed, must not be confused with expert knowledge. If Professor Chomsky's sponsors had announced him as an ideological critic of the modern state, particularly of America, individual disagreements with his point of view would not justify a letter such as this one. But his sponsors allowed his reputation as a linguist to give implicit legitimacy to Chomsky's partisan writings and lectures. Let us agree that ideological questions no less than scientific problems are proper matters of university discourse. Let us also agree that ideology and science are confounded at enormous risk to the values for which the university exists. That is why in this letter I am principally addressing a question of academic integrity, and only secondarily what I cannot but regard as Professor Chomsky's ideological clay feet.

At this point I must also draw your attention to Professor Chomsky's method of ideological persuasion. I suspect it would not be acceptable to him in his professional supervision of graduate students. Since this must be a brief

Announcement of Chomsky's visit raises question of academic integrity

letter I shall limit myself to one example from a relatively recent book of essays¹, particularly one that bears much similarity to the first of the announced lectures². Early on in the essay entitled "Armageddon is Well Located (1978)", there appears the following paragraph³:

cent book of essays¹, particularly one that bears much similarity to the first of the announced lectures². Early on in the essay entitled "Armageddon is Well Located (1978)", there appears the following paragraph³:

During the 1973 war, when Israel's survival seemed momentarily in question, Israel threatened to resort to nuclear weapons, Nadav Safran alleges, and it might well carry out this threat in extremis, as might its enemies. Great-power tensions in October 1973 led to a worldwide U.S. nuclear alert. Given the economic and strategic significance of the region, a local conflict might easily explode into a general conflagration. Armageddon is well located.

Let's look at the structure of this paragraph. Can you tell who is the speaker of the sentences about "great power tensions", "a worldwide... alert", and "a general conflagration"? Is it Nadav Safran or Noam Chomsky? Perhaps you think it does not matter, but you will think otherwise when you look up the footnote on Safran at the end of Chomsky's volume⁴:

Nadav Safran, Israel: The Embattled Ally (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 1978). Safran provides no evidence, but Jack Anderson has reported that "locked in secret Pentagon files is startling evidence that Israel maneuvered dangerously near the edge of nuclear war after the 1973 Arab assault. The secret documents claim that Israel came within hours of running out of essential arms. At this crucial moment, 'the possibility of nuclear arms was discussed with the U.S.,' declares one report." These secret papers, Anderson claims, show that the fear that Israel might resort to nuclear weapons was "the most compelling reason" for rushing conventional weapons to Israel. Washington Post, March 10, 1980.

In this note we see the transposition of the text's "Safran alleges" to "Safran provides no evidence" for what he alleges. But this apparent last-minute candidness doesn't really help with the credibility of the first paragraph: if all of it is Safran speaking its validity is nil. But perhaps some of it stems from Naom Chomsky's possibly more reliable information. As it stands one cannot tell.

But let me return to Chomsky's long note.

Safran's claim being admittedly unsubstantiated, it seems strange scholarship then to bring in a witness whose evidence is about unsubstantiated rumors based on "secret papers" which the columnist Anderson confides are "locked in secret Pentagon files". In spite of such transparently unsatisfactory data, or perhaps because of them, Chomsky has the temerity to say some pages further on in the essay:

One would like to know more about the nature of the evidence, e.g.... that Israel threatened to employ nuclear weapons in October 1973, raising the haunting prospect in later years that U.S. pressure might drive it "to resort to a nuclear strategy". (bold italics added, HDK)

Here even the semblance of factual reporting has subtly turned into a propagandistic finale. The "haunting prospect" of "U.S. pressure" allegedly driving Israel "to resort to a nuclear strategy" has now been gratuitously grafted on to Safran's empty claims and columnist Anderson's secrets-mongering. The wording I have set in italics are clearly propagandistic since they seem bound to instill fear and loathing, with the author's special *betes noires* the United States and Israel.

Some here may take this letter as an assault on academic freedom, especially since Noam Chomsky himself has taken on the mantle of a fighter for absolute freedom of expression. Thus he has defended Robert Faurisson's neo-Nazi historical revisionism⁵ which claims that the Nazi Holocaust is a lie invented by Zionist lobbies for the sake of reparation monies. Chomsky's justification for this defense is that he is not responsible for what Faurisson has written⁶, but that what matters is Voltaire's libertarian credo that he will defend with his life another's right to express views with which he himself may totally disagree.

In the abstract it may sound like a noble sentiment; what it did in the Faurisson case was, however unintentionally, to lend the mantle of Chomsky's reputation as a renowned academic to the vicious defamation of the dead and of the survivors.

In the circumstances of the impending Lansdowne lectures it is not human beings who are being hurt. The injury is being done to essential values of the university. Any attempt to present propaganda under the shelter of a legitimate academic reputation can do irreparable harm to the easily fractured stuff of truth and intellectual integrity.

That is why, even though only a visitor here, I must voice my protest against the way in which the coming Lansdowne lectures have been announced and are to be presented. Professor Chomsky will no doubt deliver them elegantly. But if his past record is any guide, he will also use them to spread thereby his anti-Western

ideological views. Unpalatable as his views will be for some of us, his right to speak on a university campus can and must be defended.

What seems to this observer quite indefensible is the fact that at this university he has been billed in his role of a "renowned linguistic theorist" when he will actually be addressing us in his role of propagandist. Responsible academics will want to guard both academic freedom and academic integrity.

H. David Kirk
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Begbie Bldg.)

1. N. Chomsky, *Towards a New Cold War: Essays On The Current Crisis And How We Got There*, Pantheon Books, New York, 1973, 1982. (For a review of this book by noted historian Walter Laqueur see "The Politics of Adolescence", *The New Republic*, March 24, 1982, 37-39)
2. *ibid.*, pp. 320-36.
3. *ibid.*; p. 321.
4. *ibid.*, p. 458, note 3.
5. On the issue of revisionist history that denies the facts of the Holocaust see: Lucy S. Dawidowicz, "Lies About the Holocaust", *Commentary*, Dec. 1980.
6. On the Faurisson episode, see especially: Paul L. Berman, "Gas Chamber Games—Crackpot History and the Right to Lie", *The Village Voice*, June 10-16, 1981

Ed. Note: At the beginning of his letter, Prof. Kirk refers to an "advertisement" in the *Times-Colonist* regarding the visit of Prof. Chomsky. In fact, he quotes from a news story taken from information supplied in a news release from Information Services at UVic. The first sentence of that news release referred to Chomsky as "a renowned linguistic theorist, philosopher and social critic". The fact that the *Times Colonist*, over which the university has no control, chose to emphasize Chomsky's role as a renowned linguist in announcing his lectures on politics, does not mean that the university is misrepresenting his visit or that academic freedom and academic integrity are being threatened. We do not believe it is misleading to refer to Chomsky's expertise in linguistics when announcing his visit to this campus. He is a Lansdowne visitor who will be giving seminars in linguistics and philosophy while here. We agree with Prof. Kirk that Chomsky's renown as a linguist does not lend legitimacy to his role as a radical critic of United States policies. The 11 books and about 1,000 articles on political and social themes that Chomsky has written or co-authored and the critical acclaim these writings have received from some respected analysts provide enough credibility for his role as a political commentator.

Monday, January 23rd.

Maltwood Art Museum and Gallery. *Ancient Ceramics of the New World*. Continues until Jan. 29. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday, 12 noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, and during evening events at the University Centre Auditorium.

Recreation and Intramurals classes begin this week.

12:30 p.m. Seminar presented by Chaplains Services. Dr. Roger Graves will speak on "The Way of Zen." Chaplains' Office, University Centre.

12:30 p.m. Lansdowne Lecture Series. Dr. Decker F. Walker, School of Education, Stanford University, Stanford California, will speak on "What Is Good Educational Software?" Free and open to the public. CORN B108

1:30 p.m. Cinecenta films. *Mon Oncle & D'Amerique* (French 1980). Subtitles. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

7:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *Mon Oncle & D'Amerique* (French 1980). Subtitles. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

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8:00 p.m. Lansdowne Lecture Series. Noam Chomsky, Professor of Linguistics and Philosophy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will speak on "The Middle East and the Coming Nuclear War." Free and open to the public. University Centre Auditorium.

Tuesday, January 24th.

12:30 p.m. Lansdowne Lecture Series. Noam Chomsky (see above) will speak on "The Manufacture of Consent." Free and open to the public. University Centre Auditorium.

3:30 p.m. Colloquia Slavica. Dr. Zelimir B. Juricic (Slavonic Studies) will speak on "The Relation Between Poetic and Prose Structural Elements in Andric's Early Poetry: The Case of 'Tama.'" CLER B145.

Wednesday, January 25th.

12:30 p.m. The Shakespeare Music Catalogue Project presents a noon-hour recital of "Shakespeare in Music" by School of Music students. No admission charge. MUSIC BUILDING, RECITAL HALL.

7:00 p.m. Special seminar presented by the Dept. of Biology. Dr. J. Muir, Senior Forest Pathologist, B.C. Ministry of Forests, will present an illustrated lecture on "Dwarf Mistletoe Control." CUNN 146.

7:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *Charles Dead or Alive?* (Swiss 1969). French with subtitles. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

9:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *Charles Dead or Alive?* (Swiss 1969). French with subtitles. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

8:00 p.m. Lansdowne Lecture Series. Noam Chomsky (see above) will speak on "The United States and Latin America." Free and open to the public. University Centre Auditorium.

Thursday, January 26th.

School of Music Degree Recital—James Ormston, clarinet (B.Mus.). No admission charge. MUSIC BUILDING, RECITAL HALL.

12:30 p.m. Seminar presented by the Dept. of Biology. Dr. E. White, Pacific Forest Research Centre, will speak on "Applications of Chemical Analyses to Forest Genetics: Biochemical Genetics of Lodgepole Pine." CUNN 146.

5:30 p.m. "The Thursday Thing"—A Series of Readings by Writers arranged by the Creative Writing Dept. Guest writer tonight: Sandra Birdsell (*Night Travellers*), a prairie writer who chronicles French-Canadian life in Manitoba. No admission charge. MACL 144.

7:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich*. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

Friday, January 27th.

12:30 p.m. Fridaymusic (Strings). Free noonhour recital featuring School of Music students. MUSIC BUILDING, RECITAL HALL.

2:00 p.m. Oral Exam. Jesus Leonardo Yanez, M.A. Candidate in Education, will defend his thesis entitled: "Cross-Cultural Examination of Reading Readiness." MACL 520.

3:30 p.m. Faculty of Graduate Studies meets. CORN B108.

6:30 p.m. Basketball games. UVic Vikettes & Vikings vs. University of Saskatchewan. MCKI GYM.

7:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *The Outsiders*. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

9:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *The Outsiders*. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

8:00 p.m. Victoria Symphony Orchestra—Discovery Series. Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$6.50 for Students and Senior Citizens. University Centre Auditorium.

Saturday, January 28th.

UVic Rowing. Old Girls-Old Boys Regatta.

6:30 p.m. Basketball games. UVic Vikettes & Vikings vs. University of Alberta. MCKI GYM.

8:00 p.m. Cinecenta films. *Breaker Morant*. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

7:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *Breaker Morant*. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

9:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *Breaker Morant*. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

8:00 p.m. School of Music Faculty Recital—Paul Kling, violin and Robin Wood, piano. Tickets are \$4 for Adults, \$2 for Students, Senior Citizens and the Disabled. MUSIC BUILDING, RECITAL HALL.

Sunday, January 29th.

1:00 p.m. Weekly Sunday matinees presented by University Daycare & Services. Walt Disney's *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*. Tickets are \$1.50 for Children and Students, \$2.50 general admission. SUB Theatre.

3:00 p.m. Services. Walt Disney's *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*. Tickets are \$1.50 for Children and Students, \$2.50 general admission. SUB Theatre.

2:30 p.m. Rugby game. UVic Vikings vs. Cowichan. McCoy Road Field.

7:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *Breaker Morant*. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

9:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *Breaker Morant*. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

Monday, January 30th.

12:30 p.m. *Lone Star* by James McLure—the Theatre Department's first of two free lunchtime plays this Spring. Directed by Stephen Malloy. Continues daily until Feb. 3. Roger Bishop Theatre, PHOENIX BUILDING.

Seminar presented by Chaplains Services. Dr. Roger Graves will speak on "The Way of Zen." Chaplains' Office, University Centre.

3:30 p.m. Lansdowne Lecture Series. Robert Braidwood, Professor Emeritus, Oriental Institute, University of Chicago, will speak on "The Later Prehistory of Southwestern Asia: Some Problems" (Departmental Seminar). Free and open to the public. CORN A225.

7:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *The Lost Honour of Katharina Blum* (German 1975). Subtitles. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

9:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *The Lost Honour of Katharina Blum* (German 1975). Subtitles. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

8:00 p.m. School of Music Degree Recital—Sheila Wright, piano (B.Mus.). No admission charge. MUSIC BUILDING, RECITAL HALL.

8:15 p.m. The University Extension Association Program presents Dr. L.T. Bruton, Dean, UVic Faculty of Engineering, speaking on "Into the New Age of Technology." Tickets are \$1. Students free. BEGB 159.

Tuesday, January 31st.

12:30 p.m. Tuesdaymusic (UVic Big Band—Gordon Clements, conductor). Free noonhour recital featuring School of Music students. MUSIC BUILDING, RECITAL HALL.

3:30 p.m. Colloquia Slavica. Prof. Isabel M. Heaman (Slavonic Studies) will speak on "Images of Childhood in L.N. Tolstoy's Works." CLER B145.

8:00 p.m. Basketball game. UVic Vikings vs. Simon Fraser University. MCKI GYM.

Wednesday, February 1st.

7:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *La Salamandre* & (Swiss 1971). French with subtitles. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

9:15 p.m. Cinecenta films. *La Salamandre* & (Swiss 1971). French with subtitles. Admission charge. SUB Theatre.

8:00 p.m. Lansdowne Lecture Series. Robert J. Braidwood (see above) will speak on "The Roots of Civilization: The First Appearance of Agriculture in Western Asia." Free and open to the public. CORN B112.

School of Music presents *Original Works* by M.Mus. students in composition. No admission charge. MUSIC BUILDING, RECITAL HALL.

Alma Mater Society President **Brian Stevenson**, along with other B.C. student leaders, was scheduled for an interview Jan. 19 on the television program hosted by **Jack Webster** on BCTV and seen locally on Channel 6. The student leaders and Webster were to discuss cutbacks in education and student aid. Stevenson has also been invited by the office of Prime Minister **Pierre Trudeau** to a Vancouver reception at the Hotel Vancouver, Jan. 22, for Chinese Premier **Zhao Ziyang**. The Vancouver reception follows a two-hour visit by Zhao on the same day to UVic. (See story, page 1.)

As a consequence of budgetary constraints, mail service on campus has been curtailed. Office routine across campus has probably changed as well. Since the beginning of January there has been only one daily campus-wide

delivery and pickup of mail between 9 and 11 a.m. The afternoon pickup and delivery has been cancelled, meaning that you have to be alert these mornings to catch the mail. For those a little slower off the mark in the mornings, urgent outgoing first class university mail only may be deposited, up to 4:30 p.m., at a mail slot near the Records Office at University Centre. This mail will be cleared to Canada Post the same day. Special delivery, registered, insured and priority post items will be cleared the same day if delivered to the mail room at the Saunders Building prior to 3 p.m.

The Faculty Club is featuring a Robbie Burns Day Lunch Jan. 25 with cock-a-leekie soup and haggis. Family night at the club Jan. 27 includes a buffet lunch and video movies for the children. Further information on these events is available at the club, telephone local 7935.



Muzio with one of 40 carefully packaged computers

UVic ships computers for course

UVic took an innovative step in computer instruction last month with the purchase of 40 Franklin Ace 1000 computers which have recently been shipped to students around the province and in Victoria.

The bulk computer purchase and loan arrangement worked out for the Computer Foundation Course offered over the Knowledge Network enables 45 students who are unable to visit the campus to sit down at a computer in their homes to do assignments—without actually purchasing a computer.

Instead, they register in the course offered through UVic Extension and pay the \$310 tuition fee which covers costs of instruction and the temporary loan of one of the 40 new Franklin Ace 1000 computers which the university acquired in a bulk purchase through Sidney CompuPower Ltd. late in the fall term.

Upon payment of a refundable damage deposit of \$600, which is not cashed unless the computer is damaged or returned late, the student receives a computer packaged in a wooden crate and shipped by Loomis.

By the second week of January, students in Victoria and 19 other centres throughout B.C. including Vernon, Kamloops, Prince George, Fort St. James, Kitimat, Vernon, Gold River, Hazelton and Salmon Arm were receiving their temporary home computers.

More than 30 computers were shipped out, some to students who have arranged to share use of one computer.

Most of the students in the course are managers and professionals in fields other than data processing who must nevertheless learn how to interact with computer systems. Between two-thirds and three-quarters of the students are in government, explains course content specialist and computer scientist Jeanette Muzio of UVic Extension.

This is the first time that students off campus have been able to take the Foundation Course, which is the mandatory first course of nine in UVic's two-year Certificate Program in Computer Based Information Systems. The on-campus certificate program has been running for two years and will graduate its first students this June.

Television broadcasts via the Knowledge Network comprise 10 per cent of the course, with print materials and practical assignments covering the remainder.

This term's 14-week course began Jan. 16, and will be offered again in the spring, says Muzio. For further information contact Muzio at 721-8467 or Alan Beveridge at 721-8452.